

REMARKS

This letter is responsive to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003.

The following is a listing of the claims which are currently in the application:

Claim 1: currently amended

Claims 2, 3: original

Claim 4: previously amended

Claims 5-7: previously cancelled

Claim 8: previously amended

Claim 9: original

Claim 10: currently amended

Claims 11-13: previously cancelled

Claim 14: currently amended

Claim 15: previously cancelled

Claim 16: previously added

Claim 17: previously cancelled

Claims 18: previously amended

Claims 19-21: previously added

Claim 22: previously cancelled

Claim 23: previously added

Claims 24-27: previously added

The Examiner finally rejected in an Office Action dated May 20, 2003 claims 1-4, 8-10, 14, 16, 18-21 and 23-27 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Barvaeus. By this

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Preliminary Amendment, applicant has amended claims 1, 10 and 14 in accordance with the telephone conferences between applicant's attorneys and the Examiner. In each of the amended claims (and the claims which depend therefrom), the support frame or structure has been described as having an open central portion with the flexible, vertically extending members positioned therein. In contrast, the flexible vertical members of Barvaeus engage the back member (1) which has no central opening.

Applicant's attorneys wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during their telephone conferences and respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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